

REMARKS

By the foregoing Amendment, claims 21-24 have been canceled without prejudice or disclaimer. In view of the foregoing amendments and following remarks, Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner reconsider all outstanding rejections, and that they be withdrawn.

Rejections Under 35 U.S.C. §103

At paragraph 4 of the Office Action, the Examiner rejected claims 21-24 as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent No. 4,998,111 to Ma et al. ("Ma") in view of U.S. Patent No. 6,133,871 to Krasner ("Krasner"). By the amendment above, Applicant has canceled claims 21-24 and 25. The rejection of claims 21-24 is therefore rendered moot.

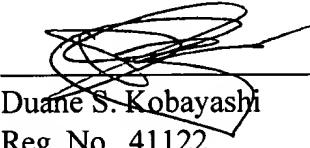
Conclusion

All of the stated grounds of rejection have been properly traversed, accommodated, or rendered moot. Applicants therefore respectfully request that the Examiner reconsider all presently outstanding rejections, and that they be withdrawn. The Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned representative if an interview might be useful for any reason.

Respectfully submitted,

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